This action is responsive to remand by the Board to cancel the expressly or implicitly withdrawn claims.

Claims 2-3,5-7,9-11,15-20,22,34-35,37-39,41-43, 47-52, 54 are cancelled.

Claim 12 is considered as an independent claim with claim 11 limitations added into claim 12 to make into independent claim 12. Therefore, claim 12 as independent claim with limitation from claim 11.

Claim 23 is considered as an independent claim with claims 1, 22 limitations added into claim 23 to make into independent claim 23. Therefore, claim 23 as independent claim with limitation from claims 1, 22.

2. Please see the attached PTO-90C for more information.

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